



AMENDMENTS UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 33 with the following amended paragraph:

· stacking varistors 10 to touch each other so as to be centered on a common axis 12 (possibly with spacers being interposed between at least some adjacent pairs of varistors 10), with electrically-conductive electrode-forming pieces, referred to herein as "centering pieces" 20, being placed at respective ends of the stack, and then keeping the assembly under axial compression;